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1. Soviet artillery was emplaced in the mountains in the Ietrosani (R 25/V 66) area in early July 1950. Twelve AA guns with ammunition were emplaced on Malaia Hill, about 2 km from Ietrosani. *
2. The road from Livezeni, 4 km south of Ietrosani, to Bumbesti (R 25/V 53) was widened. The bridges on that road were reinforced to carry loads up to 30 tons. **
3. Heavy bombs were stored near Colibasi (R 33/34/W 70), Comitate of Muscel. ***

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* Comment. No Soviet troops were previously observed in the Ietrosani area. The troops seen there in early July 1950 may have been Soviet artillery and AAA units engaged in firing practice.

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** Comment. The northern road from Craiova to Timisoara runs via Ietrosani. The statement that this road was improved is given credence because the southern road linking the two cities runs near the border via Turnu-Severin.

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*** Comment. A Rumanian ordnance depot is said to be located in Colibasi. It is possible that piles of munitions may have been laying about in the depot area.

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